TRADESMAN, EDUCATION & REGULATORY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 25, 2003 MINUTES

The Tradesman, Education & Regulatory Review Committee of the Board for Contractors met on Wednesday, June 25, 2003, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 3600 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. The members indicated below were present.

James Hollar (Chairman)
Anthony Orange (Vice-Chairman)
Robert Kirby
William Paulette
Robert Burch

The following members of DPOR staff were also present during some or all of the meeting:

Louise Fontaine Ware, Director DPOR
Karen O'Neal, Deputy Director DPOR
Eric L. Olson, Executive Director, Board for Contractors

Chairman Hollar called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Paulette and seconded by Mr. Burch that the agenda be approved as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Hollar asked for public comment and the following individuals spoke:

Public Comment Period

Tony Rigali – spoke to support of tradesman on job site

Laurie Crigler – spoke to support of tradesman on job site but requesting the Board leave some leeway in to allow for interpretation on a case by case basis

Bev Donati – updated the committee on tradesman apprenticeship and education

Ron Lushbaugh – spoke to support of tradesman on job site

Andy Thomas – spoke to requiring that only licensed tradesman actually complete any trade related work

Anthony Shultz – spoke against the requirement of having a tradesman on a job site

Harold Kelly – indicated that his organization (Associated Builders) is split on the issue of requiring a tradesman on the job site

The Committee continued its review of the draft regulations carried over from the May 7, 2003 meeting. On a motion by Mr. Orange, seconded by Mr. Burch the committee unanimously voted to approve the draft regulations with the exception of prohibited act number 32 which would be discussed separately. Members voting yes were: James Hollar, Robert Burch, Anthony Orange, William Paulette and Robert Kirby. The motion carried.

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After a discussion regarding contract requirements and on a motion by Mr. Hollar, seconded by Mr. Orange, the Committee unanimously voted to amend 18 VAC 50-22-260 B 9 h, removing "expiration date" from the regulations. Members voting yes were: James Hollar, Robert Burch, Anthony Orange, William Paulette and Robert Kirby.

The Committee completed a lengthy discussion of prohibited act number 32 (which would require that a contractor ensure that a licensed tradesman was on the job site at all times). On a motion by Mr. Orange, seconded by Mr. Burch, the committee voted to approve prohibited act #32 as written and forward them to the Board for adoption as proposed. The motion passed with a vote of three Yes and two No. Members voting yes were: Anthony Orange, James Hollar, and Robert Burch. Members voting no were: William Paulette and Robert Kirby.

